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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Interview at Census Bureau

- 1. This afternoon, Mr. Brammell and I met at 2:00 p.m. with Paul Meyer, Chief of the Foreign Demographic Analysis Division, Bureau of the Census, and an hour later with Dr. Conrad F. Taeuber, Assistant Director for Demographic Fields, Bureau of the Census, to discuss reallocation of HEW's NIS production responsibilities.
- 2. Mr. Brammell outlined the problem in both interviews, explaining that the passage of the International Education Bill in Congress seemed to be jeopardized by the CIA contract with HEW, and Secretary Gardner was terminating the contract 30 June, with the provision that Mr. Kain's unit could remain in HEW for 90 days while other arrangements were being made. Various alternate producers, such as CIA, State, DIA, and Labor, had been considered.
- 3. CIA was not appropriate because HEW personnel wished to retain their Civil Service status and three of them are past the CIA retirement age. Also, some of the HEW personnel probably do not want to work for CIA. Under Secretary Ball and Tom Hughes had ruled against State assuming the responsibility. Sociological intelligence, although regarded as essential by most military users, was thought to be not within the primary interests of DIA; and Census was preferred to Labor because the production of sociological information seemed more clearly related to the service mission of Census.
- 4. Mr. Meyer, in both interviews, pointed out that the GS-15 on the HEW T/O would be embarrassing to Meyer's Division because he (Meyer) was only a GS-15 and, as he pointed out to Dr. Taeuber, there was no prospect of Meyer's becoming a 16.

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The third difficulty was space limitations; Meyer's present staff of 55 has been crowded to where two people must work in a fairly large room (the size we have four people in). The fourth difficulty was that HEW personnel might bring with them some special arrangements for accrued leave which must be paid for.

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5. Dr. Taeuber seemed to take a more favorable view of accepting HEW's production responsibilities than did Mr. Meyer, and offered some rebuttal to Mr. Meyer's objections. Dr. Taeuber retained the data we had (two memos which explained budget, production data, and T/O) and said that he would consult with the Bureau of the Census administrative people tomorrow and meet on it with the Director of the Bureau of the Census on Wednesday.

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